

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN DON RYAN**, on January 15, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 303 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Don Ryan, Chairman (D)
Sen. Jerry W. Black (R)
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)
Sen. Carol C. Juneau (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (D)
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)
Sen. Bob Story Jr. (R)

Members Excused:

Sen. Jim Elliott (D)
Sen. Dan McGee (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Casey Barrs, Legislative Branch
Marigail Schreiner, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only.

They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 38, SB 207, 1/10/2007
Executive Action: SB 23, SB 123

00:01:53 Opening comments by Chairman Ryan

HEARING ON SB 207

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:09 **SEN. MITCH TROPILA (D), SD 12**, opened the hearing on **SB 207**, Allow teachers option for summer pay.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:08 Eric Hall, Teacher from Great Falls, Montana.

Opponents' Testimony:

00:06:48 Tammy Rau, Deputy Director, Montana Teachers' Retirement System

00:07:33 Sen. Elliott arrived

00:07:54 Lynda Brannon, representing School Business Officials

Informational Testimony:

00:11:39 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:53 Sen. Story to Sen. Tropila

00:13:15 Sen. Peterson to Sen. Tropila

00:15:15 Sen. Juneau to Tammy Rau, Teacher's Retirement System

00:17:38 Chairman Ryan to Tammy Rau, Teacher's Retirement System

00:18:44 Chairman Ryan to Lynda Brannon, School Business Officials

00:19:33 Chairman Ryan to Joan Anderson from the Office of Public Instruction

00:21:28 Chairman Ryan to Lynda Brannon, School Business Officials

00:21:44 Sen. Juneau left the Committee Meeting

Closing by Sponsor:

00:22:55 Sen. Tropila

EXHIBIT(eds09a01)

00:23:23 Sen. Kitzenberg assumed the chair so that Chairman Ryan could present SB 38

HEARING ON SB 38

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:25:38 **SEN. DON RYAN (D), SD 10**, opened the hearing on **SB 38**, District allowed to pay educationally-relevant travel from transportation budget.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:31:12 Lynda Brannon, representing the School Business Officials

00:32:12 Pete Carparelli, Executive Director of the Montana Quality Education Coalition

EXHIBIT(eds09a02)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:33:28 None

Informational Testimony:

00:33:33 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:33:39 Sen. Peterson to Sen. Ryan

00:35:47 Sen. Story to Sen. Ryan

Closing by Sponsor:

00:38:12 Sen. Ryan

00:39:37 Sen. Ryan assumed the chair

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 23

00:40:21 **Motion/Vote:** SEN. KITZENBERG moved that SB 23 DO PASS. Motion carried 8-1 with SEN. JUNEAU voting aye by proxy and SEN. MCGEE voting NO.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 123

00:41:55 **Motion:** SEN. HAWKS moved that SB 123 DO PASS.

Discussion:

00:43:32 Sen. Peterson

00:44:46 Pete Carparelli responded to Sen. Peterson's question

00:46:26 Chairman Ryan reiterated Sen. Peterson's question for Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:47:49 Sen. Peterson to Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:49:03 Sen. Kitzenberg to Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:50:11 Sen. Story to Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:54:26 Sen. Peterson to Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:56:36 Sen. Hawks to Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:59:45 Sen. Kitzenberg to Mr. Lamson, Office of Public Instruction

01:00:28 Chairman Ryan overruled Sen. Kitzenberg's question

01:00:53 Chairman Ryan

01:02:10 Sen. Black to Linda McCulloch, Superintendent of Public Instruction

01:03:21 Sen. McGee arrived at Committee Meeting

01:06:53 Sen. Story

01:10:51 Sen. Kitzenberg called for the question

01:11:59 **Vote: Motion carried 5-4 by roll call vote with SEN. JUNEAU voting aye by proxy and SEN. BLACK, SEN. MCGEE, SEN. PETERSON, and SEN. STORY voting no.**

01:12:06 Sen. Story to Chairman Ryan

01:12:17 Sen. Peterson to Chairman Ryan

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:27 P.M.

SEN. DON RYAN, Chairman

MARIGAIL SCHREINER, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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